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May 3, 1989

Acumenics Research and Technology, Inc. 1400 I Street, N.W. Suite 200 Washington, DC 20005

Attention: 104(e) Task

RE: ARTEL CHEMICAL SITE, NITRO, WEST VIRGINIA

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Upon receipt of the CERCLA notification letter for the referenced site, a document search was conducted.

The document search revealed that Sonoco Fibre Drum (formerly known as Continental Fibre Drum, a Division of Continental Group, Inc.) has not transported any substances, hazardous or otherwise, to the referenced site.

Sonoco Fibre Drum was a supplier of newly manufactured fibre containers to Artel. These containers are manufactured from Kraft Linerboard (paper) and steel components (see sales brochure attached). All fibre drums are sold as single trip containers and Sonoco does not engage in reconditioning any containers.

Records indicate eight (8) specifications (diameter and height combinations) of fibre containers were purchased by Artel. Documents for two (2) shipments are attached for your reference. Each has an invoice, loading tally and Bill of Lading. If requested, additional documentation of shipments could be provided.

In summary, the only relationship between Sonoco and Artel was that of a supplier and purchaser of fibre containers manufactured to order.

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Any future correspondence to Sonoco Fibre Drum should be directed to the undersigned at 1850 Parkway Place, Suite 820, Marietta, GA 30067

Sincerely,

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